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**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A method of migrating configuration data from a first executable product to a second executable product, the method comprising ~~the steps of:~~

instructing, from an external agent, the first executable product to provide a file containing selected configuration data; and

producing, by the first executable product, the file containing the selected configuration data in a format acceptable to the second executable product.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 1, further comprising ~~the steps of:~~

reading the file by the second executable product; and

configuring the second executable product for operation using the selected configuration data contained in the file.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of:~~

modifying the first executable product to respond to a command by an the external agent to provide the selected configuration data in the format acceptable to the second executable product.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 1, wherein ~~the step of~~ instructing is accomplished by providing a parameter recognized by the first executable product.

5. (Original) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 4, wherein the parameter is recognized at initial startup of the first executable product.

6. (Original) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 4, wherein the parameter is recognized during normal operation of the first executable product.

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7. (Currently Amended) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of~~:

modifying the file produced by the first executable product, wherein additional data is incorporated into the file for purposes of configuring the second executable product.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 7, wherein ~~the step of~~ modifying is performed by editing the file.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 7, wherein ~~the step of~~ modifying is performed by a third executable product.

10. (Currently Amended) A ~~first executable code~~ computer program product for migrating configuration data from a first executable code to a second executable code, ~~the first executable code~~ the computer program product comprising:

computer readable storage medium having computer readable program code embodied in said medium, the computer readable program code comprising:

a function for receiving computer readable program code configured to receive a command from an external agent;

~~a function responsive to the receiving of the command for obtaining~~ computer readable program code configured to obtain, responsive to the received command, configuration data available to the first executable code which is useful to the second executable code;

~~a function for arranging~~ computer readable program code configured to arrange the data according to a format usable by the second executable code; and

~~a function for writing~~ computer readable program code configured to write the data to one or more external media for access by the second executable code.

11. (Currently Amended) The ~~first executable code~~ computer program product according to Claim 10, wherein the external agent is a command issued from a computer terminal by a human operator.

12. (Currently Amended) The ~~first-executable code~~ computer program product according to Claim 10, wherein the external agent is a scripted command issued through execution of a batch file.

13. (Currently Amended) The ~~first-executable code~~ computer program product according to Claim 10, wherein the external agent is a system scheduler that issues the command at a pre-determined time.

14. (Currently Amended) The ~~first-executable code~~ computer program product according to Claim 10, wherein the external media are persistent.

15. (Currently Amended) The ~~first-executable code~~ computer program product according to Claim 14, wherein the external media comprise one or more disk files.

16. (Currently Amended) The ~~first-executable code~~ computer program product according to Claim 10, wherein the data is obtained from one or more internal control blocks accessible by the first executable code.

17. (Currently Amended) The ~~first-executable code~~ computer program product according to Claim 16, wherein the internal control blocks were constructed by the first executable code using configuration files and command line parameters.

18. (Currently Amended) A computer program product for migrating configuration data used by a first computer process to a second computer process requiring a set of data arranged in a format, the computer program product being embodied on one or more computer-readable media and comprising:

computer-readable program code ~~means for responding~~ configured to respond to a command presented by an external agent to produce a file according to the format, the file containing selected configuration data, the computer-readable program code ~~means for responding~~ configured to respond being contained in the first computer process;

computer-readable program code ~~means for outputting~~ configured to output the file to a

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selected location, the computer-readable program code ~~means for outputting~~ configured to output ~~being~~ contained in the first computer process; and

computer-readable program code ~~means for reading~~ configured to read the file from the selected location, the computer-readable program code ~~means for reading~~ configured to read being contained in the second computer process.

19. (Currently Amended) A system for migrating configuration data, the system comprising:

a first executable product capable of providing a file containing selected configuration data arranged in a format responsive to a command from an external agent; and

a second executable product responsive to the format, wherein the second executable product accesses the file to obtain the configuration data.

20. (Currently Amended) The system for migrating configuration data according to Claim 19, wherein ~~the capability of providing the file containing the selected configuration data arranged in the format is implemented as a modification to the first executable product comprises the modification comprising:~~

means for receiving ~~[[a]]~~ the command from ~~[an]~~ the external agent;

means, responsive to the receiving of the command, for obtaining those configuration data available to the first executable product which are useful to the second executable product;

means for arranging the obtained data according to the format usable by the second executable product; and

means for writing the obtained data to one or more external media for access by the second executable product.

21. (Currently Amended) The system for migrating configuration data according to Claim 19, wherein the configuration data is obtained from ~~one or more~~ at least one internal table ~~tables~~ of the first executable product.

22. (Original) The system for migrating configuration data according to Claim 19,

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wherein the configuration data is obtained from a configuration file

23. (Original) The system for migrating configuration data according to Claim 19, wherein the configuration data is obtained in response to a startup parameter.

Claim 24 (Canceled).

25. (Currently Amended) The system for migrating configuration data according to Claim 19, wherein the second ~~computer~~ executable product is a replacement for the first executable ~~computer~~ product.

Claims 26-28 (Canceled).

29. (New) The method of Claim 1, wherein the first executable product comprises OROUTED and the second executable product comprises OMPROUTE.

30. (New) The computer program product of Claim 10, wherein the first executable code comprises OROUTED and the second executable code comprises OMPROUTE.

31. (New) The system of Claim 19, wherein the first executable product comprises OROUTED and the second executable product comprises OMPROUTE.